INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Regulations 1005, 1007, 1008, *Training and Testing Specifications for Peace Officer Basic Courses* – Effective January 1, 2008

The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) proposes to amend Regulations 1005, 1007, and 1008; and the *Training and Testing Specification for Peace Officer Basic Courses* document to modify curriculum as part of an ongoing review process.

The amendments are proposed by POST staff, Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) and an Academy Advisory Committee (AAC), (formally referred to as the Standing Alignment Committee); and convened by the POST Basic Training Bureau. All changes to academy curriculum begin with recommendations from law enforcement practitioners or, in some cases, via legislative mandates. POST then facilitates meetings attended by curriculum advisors and SMEs who provide recommended changes to existing academy curriculum. These recommendations are submitted to the AAC, which is chaired by non-POST personnel and comprised of academy directors and coordinators. All academies then review the AAC-approved recommendations at the quarterly Basic Course Consortium meetings facilitated by POST.

Learning Domain Documents

The Consortium approved the proposed changes at its June 7, 2007 meeting. The Commission approved them at its July 19, 2007, Commission meeting, subject to successful completion of the Administrative Procedure Act process. The proposed changes affect the following learning domains (LDs):

LD 6, Property Crimes LD 34, First Aid and CPR

LD 8, General Crime Statutes LD 39, Crimes Against the Justice System

LD 28, Traffic Enforcement LD 43, Emergency Management

LD 29, Traffic Accident Investigations LD 63, Computers and Computer Crimes

LD 30, Preliminary Investigation

The proposed amendments appear in the *Training and Testing Specifications for Peace Officer Basic Courses* document. A number in parenthesis [e.g., (1)] follows each amendment. Also attached, is the *Legend of Recommendations* with numbers that correspond to the reference numbers on the *Training and Testing Specification for Peace Officer Basic Courses*. Each number explains the rationale for the amendment. In addition, the strikeout-underline text for the effective date shown beneath the domain title on the first page, and the revision date on the last page of each domain show the proposed effective date.

Minimum Content and Hourly Requirements Documents

In the appropriate *Minimum Content and Hourly Requirements* documents, the title for LD 29 changed to *Traffic Collision Investigations*, and the title for LD 30 changed to *Crime Scenes, Evidence, and Forensics* to reflect and be consistent with what is currently being taught. POST removed the LD 17 tests in the Regular Basic Course, PC Arrest and Firearms, Level II and the Requalification courses as a follow-up on changes previously approved by the Commission in January 2007 that were inadvertently omitted in the rulemaking process.

Justification - Regulations 1005, 1007, and 1008

New effective dates update the incorporation by reference statements for historical accuracy.

Other Required Showings Pursuant to Government Code 11346.2 (b) (2)-(4)

Studies, Reports, or Documents Relied Upon – Gov. Code 11346.2 (b):

None

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Reasonable Alternatives Considered – Gov. Code 11346.2 (b) (3) (A): None

Reasonable Alternatives That Would Lessen the Impact on Small Businesses – Gov. Code 11346.2 (b) (3) (B):

None

Evidence Relied Upon to Support the Initial Determination That the Amended Regulations Will Not Have a Significant Statewide Adverse Economic Impact on Business – Gov. Code 11346.2 (b) (4):

The proposed regulation has no significant impact on California businesses, including small businesses because it applies to law enforcement standards.

Incorporation by Reference of *Testing and Training Specifications for Peace Officer Basic Courses* Amended January 1, 2008:

POST does not submit the *Testing and Training Specifications for Peace Officer Basic Courses*, amended January 1, 2008, for printing in the California Code of Regulations (CCR) because the document has a limited audience (38 basic academy presenters approved by POST). The *Training Specifications for Peace Officer Basic Courses* document is also one of the larger documents POST produces. This document was available upon request directly from POST, and continues to be available from POST. It is also located at http://www.post.ca.gov/training/bt_bureau/TrainingSpecs/default.asp.

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LEGEND OF RECOMMENDATIONS Training & Testing Specifications for Peace Officer Basic Courses January 1, 2008

- 1. Academy Advisory Committee, Basic Course Consortium, and POST Testing Committee recommended deletion because items did not meet the essential job function for an entry level officer.
- 2. Specification relocated to be consistent with the instructional design and delivery.
- 3. Clarification, structure, or grammar revision.
- 4. Relocated to/from another area within the existing learning domain or another learning domain within the Training & Testing Specifications document.
- 5. Recommended by Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) as part of an expansion of the essential job functions of an entry-level officer.
- 6. Added as a necessary and critical component of training to a legislative mandate. (Title 22)
- 7. Changed title to reflect or be consistent with what is currently being taught.
- 8. Verb changed to alleviate active learning.
- 9. X's removed, training does not meet the essential job function for the level of training indicated.
- 10. No longer appropriate terminology.
- 11. California Specialized Training Institute (CSTI) was deleted because it is not legislatively mandated that an instructor be specifically certified through their organization in order to instruct Law Enforcement Response to Terrorism (LERT), the Incident Command System (ICS), the Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS), and the National Incident Management System (NIMS). Instructor training is available from other POST-Certified presenters throughout the state.
- 12. Re-distribution of hours to assure adequate time is given to sufficiently cover the material within each learning domain. Hourly distribution changes were previous submitted and approved in the *Minimum Content and Hourly Requirement* document, although changes in certain learning domains were inadvertently left out.
- 13. Test removed as a follow-up on omissions that were approved by the Commission in January 2007, but were inadvertently overlooked and not removed from the Learning Domain.